IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Takamasa Iwaki

Group Art Unit: 3643

Serial No.: 10/539,870

Confirmation 6383

Serial No.: 10/539,870

Examiner: Nguyen, Son T

Filed: December 5, 2005

For: Floor Mat and Small Animal Rearing Cage

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir

Responsive to the Official Action dated July 24, 2009, Applicant respectfully files this Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and requests reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks. A petition for a proper extension of time is hereby submitted along with the appropriate fee submitted separately by mail.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.